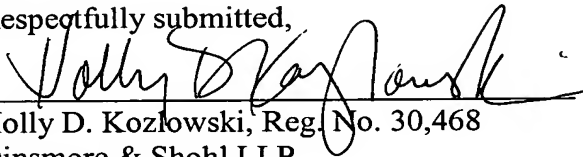


REMARKS

The Official Action dated January 5, 2006 has been carefully considered. It is believed that the present Amendment places the application in condition for allowance. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the Official Action, the Examiner had indicated that claims 9, 12, 18, 20-23 and 34-36 are allowed, while claims 19, 33 and 37 were rejected. Applicants traverse the rejections of claims 19, 33 and 37. However, to expedite prosecution, claims 19, 33 and 37 are cancelled herein. As the claims remaining in the application have all been indicated as allowed, it is believed that the present application is prima facie in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and an early allowance are requested.

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